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RECOMBINANT PDGF A-CHAIN HOMODIMERS AND

METHODS OF USE (AS AMENDED)

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed February 22, 2000 (Paper #45). Submitted with this Response is a request for a two-month extension of time and appropriate fee, making a response due July 22, 2000. However, because July 22, 2000 falls on a Saturday, a response filed the next business day, namely Monday, July 25, 2000 is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.